

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown, RI held at the Joseph H. Gaudet Middle School, 1113 Aquidneck Avenue, Cafeteria, on Monday, November 24, 2014 at 6:04 P.M.**

**Councillor Elect Robert Kempenaar, II, Members Present**

**Councillor Elect Henry F. Lombardi, Jr.**

**Councillor Elect Paul M. Rodrigues**

**Councillor Elect M. Theresa Santos**

**Councillor Elect Robert J. Sylvia**

**Councillor Elect Antone C. Viveiros**

**Councillor Elect Barbara A. VonVillas**

**Town Clerk presiding**

**Meeting called to order at 6:04 P.M.**

**Presentation of the Colors by Middletown Police Department Color Guard, National Anthem by the Middletown High School Chorus and recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Invocation by Father James O'Brien, St. Lucy's Church, Middletown.**

**Communication of Board of Canvassers, re: Certification of newly elected members of the Town Council and School Committee.**

**The Board of Canvassers Carmella Murphy, Adeline C. Rose and Audrey Rearick were introduced by the Town Clerk and received a token of appreciation for their service to the Town; presented by Council Elect Robert J. Sylvia, Council Elect Antone C. Viveiros and United States Representative District 1 David N. Cicilline.**

**The Honorable Kathleen Connell, Rhode Island State Director of AARP, Former RI Secretary of State, former Middletown School Committee Member and Former Middletown Town Council Member was introduced by the Town Clerk. She administered the oath of office to School Committee Elect Douglas W. Arnold and Liana Ferreira-Fenton and Town Councillors Elect Robert Kempenaar, II, Henry F. Lombardi, Jr., Paul M. Rodrigues, M. Theresa Santos, Robert J. Sylvia, Antone C. Viveiros and Barbara A VonVillas.**

**Clerk calls for nominations for office of Town Council President.**

**Councillor Kempenaar nominates Robert J. Sylvia for the office of Council President.**

**There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor Viveiros, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.**

**On motion of Councillor Kempenaar, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to elect Councillor Robert J. Sylvia as President of the Town Council.**

**Clerk administers oath of office to Council President Robert J. Sylvia.**

**Council President presiding**

**Council President Sylvia thanked all for the privilege to serve as President of the Council. Mr. Sylvia welcomed the newly elected Councillors and noted it is an honor to serve with all who have been elected to the Council.**

**Council President Sylvia calls for nominations for Town Council Vice President.**

**Councillor Lombardi nominates Councillor Kempenaar for the office of Town Council Vice President.**

**There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor**

**Rodrigues, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.**

**On motion of Council President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to elect Councillor Kempenaar as Vice President of the Town Council.**

**Clerk administers oath of office to Vice President Robert Kempenaar, II.**

**Council President Sylvia calls for nominations for the office of Town Solicitor.**

**Councillor Santos nominates Peter B. Regan for Town Solicitor.**

**There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.**

**On motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Peter B. Regan as Town Solicitor.**

**Clerk administers oath of office to Town Solicitor Peter B. Regan.**

**Council President Sylvia calls for nominations for the office of Assistant Town Solicitors.**

**Councillor Rodrigues nominates Richard N. Sayer, Melissa L. Green, Adam H. Thayer and Christopher J. McNally as Assistant Town Solicitors.**

**There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.**

**On motion of Council President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Richard N. Sayer, Melissa L. Green, Adam H. Thayer and Christopher J. McNally as Assistant Town Solicitors.**

**Clerk administers oath of office to Assistant Town Solicitors Richard N. Sayer, Melissa L. Green, Adam H. Thayer and Christopher J. McNally as Assistant Town Solicitors.**

**Council President Sylvia calls for nominations for the office of Assistant Town Solicitor for Prosecution matters.**

**Councillor Viveiros nominates Francis S. Holbrook, II for Assistant Town Solicitor Prosecution matters.**

**There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor Santos, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.**

**On motion of Council President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Francis S. Holbrook, II as Assistant Town Solicitor.**

**Council President Sylvia calls for nominations for the office of Probate Judge.**

**Councillor VonVillas nominates Michael W. Miller for Probate Judge.**

**There being no other nominations, and on motion of Councillor VonVillas, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to close nominations.**

**On motion of Council President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to appoint Michael W. Miller as Probate Judge.**

**Clerk administers oath of office to Judge Miller.**

## **Presentations**

**The Town Council presented former Council President Christopher T.**

**Semonelli, former Councillor Richard P. Adams, former Councillor Bruce J. Long, former School Committee member Paul Mankofsky, former Town Solicitor Michael W. Miller and former Assistant Town Solicitor Francis S. Holbrook, II with a token of appreciation from the town.**

**Christopher T. Semonelli noted it was a pleasure to work with the prior Town Council and Town Administration and Staff.**

**Council President Sylvia thanked the voters for their support. Mr. Sylvia explained that this Council will review and adopt the Comprehensive Community Plan, Redevelop the West Main Road corridor, oversee the development of the Shoreline property, participate in and contribute to the establishment of a regional economic development entity, work with RI DOT to reconstruct the two mile corner and Coddington Highway intersections, identify a storm water management program, work with the School Committee and School Administration to identify an educational facilities plan and evaluate the potential for expanding our public water supply to the East side of town.**



**Benediction by Father James O'Brien.**

**All are invited to join the Town Council for refreshments.**

**On motion of Councillor Viveiros, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting at 6:50 P.M.**

**Wendy J. W. Marshall, CMC**

**Council Clerk**

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